

April 24, 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians of Students at Bath Elementary School and Bath Middle School:

On October 23, 2014, the District Education Council (DEC) of Anglophone West School District voted in favour of a sustainability study of Bath Middle School, under the process of Provincial Policy 409 – Multi-year Infrastructure Planning. On January 22, 2015, the scope of the study was broadened to include Bath Elementary School. This policy serves as a foundation for determining the sustainability of a school, taking into account many aspects, such as:

- Enrolment
- Transportation
- Economic Development
- Health and Safety
- Impact on Community
- Impact on Other Schools
- Quality of Education
- Finances

On April 23, 2015, the DEC held the third public meeting in this process. At that meeting, the Council voted in favour of closing Bath Elementary School and moving students to Bath Middle School, forming a K-8 public school setting while still maintaining the integrity of the Early Childhood Center and programs. This decision and our study report are being shared with the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development and staff within his department. In line with Policy 409, the Minister needs to approve the recommendation of the DEC prior to the District proceeding with this decision. The Minister and his staff will review the study information for procedural fairness and reach a final conclusion no sooner than 30 days and no later than 60 days from now. I will write to you again upon word from the Minister.

With this decision, the sustainability study of Bath Elementary and Middle Schools is now complete. Should the Minister approve the recommendation of the DEC, we will work diligently to provide a smooth and welcoming transition for your children as they prepare for and begin attending a new school setting and environment.

I wish to thank you for your interest in this study and your continued commitment to your child's education.

Sincerely,

David McTimoney

Superintendent